

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The method allows cool rooms or sea containers designed for frozen goods to handle produce requiring more precisely controlled temperatures and conditions. Each load of
5 produce is held in the sea container or cool room but in a sealed periphery from the air of the refrigerated environment. The atmosphere within the sealed periphery is then circulated so as to pass through the load and around it via ducts provided adjacent the sealed periphery. Heat exchange between the
10 circulating gas and the refrigerated environment serves to cool the load. However, if cooling is excessive a heating element can be used to raise the temperature of the circulating atmosphere.